Reply of Government.—Noted. The bridge is estimated to cost about Rs. 90,000 and there are more urgent works to be taken up. A causeway at a cheap cost will serve the purpose at present and this will be considered.

SUBJECT NO. 434.

The Shikarpur-Masur road.

Messrs. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur taluk; and Bhavani Rao, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—An estimate of this work is said to have been prepared by the Public Works Department. When the subject was mooted last year, it was said that the work would be included in the budget of 1910-11. As nothing has been yet done in the matter, it is prayed that early action may be taken for the commencement of the work.

Reply of Government.—The question is under consideration.

SUBJECT NO. 435.

Construction of a dam near Anjanpur across the Kumudvati river.

Messrs. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur taluk; and Bhavani Rao, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The construction of a dam across the Kumudvati river for facility of irrigation is being pressed for the past several years. The work will benefit about 20 or 25 villages. As the work will be a remunerative one to Government, it is prayed that its construction may be taken up early. The ryots of the villages to be benefited by the project have promised to pay Rs. 10,000 annually in the shape of land revenue, when the project is completed.

Reply of Government.—A new project for constructing a reservoir at Chordi is being investigated by the Public Works Department as the site originally selected is unsuitable and the matter will be expedited.

SUBJECT NO. 436.

Reduction of seigniorage on fuel in the Gangavvanasara State Forest in the Shikarpur taluk.

Messrs. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur taluk; and Bhavani Rao, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—A seigniorage of four annas per cart-load is at present levied on dry fuel in the Gangavvanasara State Forest. As this rate is very high to ryots who require wood from the forest for boiling sugarcane juice, it is prayed that the rate may be reduced to 2 annas per cart-load.

Reply of Government.—Will be enquired into.

SUBJECT NO. 437.

Reduction of hulbanni rates.

Mr. Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The prevailing rates of hulbanni, *viz.*, 4 annas and 8 annas per head in the State Forest of the Shikarpur taluk, may be reduced to 1 anna and 2 annas per head, as the present rates are felt to be very heavy by the poorer classes of ryots.

Reply of Government.—Cannot be done.

SUBJECT NO. 438.

Repairs to Sankarikoppa tank in the Sorab taluk.

Mr. Bhaskara Rao, Sorab taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The Sankarikoppa-Arsikere tank is a major tank for the repairs of which a contribution of Rs. 1,500 has been paid by the ryots. It is prayed that this work may be taken on hand and completed early.

Reply of Government.—Will be enquired into.